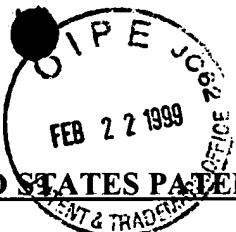


UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



213 1020CIP2  
Ser. No. 08/994,622

Examiner: **Russel, J.E.**

Group Art Unit: 1654

Re: Application of

GILBERT, C.W and PARK-CHO, M.

Serial Number:

08/994,622

Filed:

December 19, 1997

For:

**IMPROVED INTERFERON  
POLYMER CONJUGATES**

Hon. Assistant Commissioner  
for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

February 16, 1999

*#2103*  
*CHW*  
*3-4-99*

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 21, 1998, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks. A Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 to extend the time of response by one month, up to and including February 21, 1999, together with the required petition fee of \$110.00 (Large Entity), is enclosed herewith.

**PLEASE AMEND THE APPLICATION AS FOLLOWS:**

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

At page 13, line 30, delete, "Tweens" and insert therefor, --TWEEN®'s--

At page 16, line 27, delete, "tween" and insert therefor --polyoxyethylene sorbitan or TWEEN®--

*B1*  
*B2*  
I hereby certify that this correspondence and/or fee  
is being deposited with the United States Postal Service  
in an envelope addressed to "Assistant Commissioner  
For Patents," Washington D.C. 20231 on February 16,  
1999

Roberts & Mercanti, L.L.P.

By:

Michael N. Mercanti

02/26/1999 AMOHAMME 00000107 08994622

01 FC:103

36.00 OP